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LETTER DATED 2 JUNE 1995 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF ARMENIA TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

I have the honour to forward to you herewith the text of a statement issued on 2 June 1995 by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Armenia (see annex).

I should be grateful if you would circulate the statement as a document of the Security Council.

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Annex

Statement of resumption of negotiations participation

Armenia welcomes the condemnation by the Chairman-in-Office of the Organisation for Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE) and the Co-Chairmen of the Minsk Conference of the gas pipeline explosions feeding Armenia and traversing the Azeri-populated Marneuli region of Georgia. Armenia also welcomes the letter of the Chairman-in-Office of OSCE, Mr. Laszlo Kovacs, to the Georgian authorities and the Chairman-in-Office's request to the OSCE Mission in Georgia to work closely with the Georgian authorities to investigate these incidents and adopt measures to prevent their recurrence.

Armenia insists that these terrorist acts are acts of war and are contrary to the letter and spirit of the cease-fire agreement. Furthermore, Armenia insists that these acts are linked to the Nagorny Karabakh peace process, and is concerned that their continuation will not only derail the peace process, but will also endanger the security and economic viability of all the countries in the region. Thus, Armenia believes that it is in the interest of all parties to join the efforts to end the three-year-long cycle of explosions.

Armenia is pleased that the Azerbaijani authorities have condemned these acts as acts of terrorism, and is confident that Azerbaijan will use its influence to take all measures to see that they are not repeated. Armenia calls upon Azerbaijan to cooperate with Armenia in helping the Georgian authorities to end the cycle of explosions in the interest of peace and the settlement of the conflict through negotiations.

Therefore, Armenia has decided to continue its participation in the peace talks on the Nagorny Karabakh conflict, always reserving the right to take all necessary measures for its national security.

Once more, Armenia confirms its commitment to the cease-fire, and reassures the international community that the Armenian side will not initiate resumption of fighting.